

PARIS ROSS OUSLEY

Oct. 16, 1933 -- Dec. 24, 2004

Paris Ross Ousley went to sleep to await the Lord's return at 4:45 a.m. Dec. 24, 2004, at St. Joseph Hospital in Kokomo. He was born Oct. 16, 1933, in Union County, Tenn., to Winslow (Bill) Ousley and Ola Bell (Russell) Ousley.

He moved to Kokomo at a young age and graduated from Northwestern High School in 1953, where he met his wife, Lois (Small) Ousley. They were married on Aug. 21, 1954, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a large gathering this year.

He was a member of the Indiana National Guard from 1952 to 1955. He then served in the U.S. Navy from 1955 to 1957 aboard the USS Harlan Dickson in the Atlantic Fleet. He was employed at Kokomo Sanitary Pottery, the U.S. Postal Service and Liberty Life Insurance, where he retired in 1999 after 36 years of service.

He was a member of Kokomo Seventh-Day Adventist Church, where he served the Lord in a variety of offices. He loved to work in the yard and could be seen on his mower as soon as the snow was off the ground. He enjoyed flowers and gardening and beautified the earth with his work. He was also an avid reader and loved spending time with his family, but most of all his greatest joy was serving his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

He is survived by his wife, Lois, Kokomo; mother Ola Bell, Monticello; son and daughter-in-law Thomas and Laurie (Darlin) Ousley, Kokomo; daughters Teresa Saenz, Riverbank, Calif.; and Carrie Ousley, Modesto, Calif.; and grandson Jordan Ousley, Kokomo.

Also surviving are his sister and brother-in-law Donna and Harold Wamsher, Monticello; brothers and sister-in-law Joe and Linda Ousley, Kokomo, and John and Susie Ousley, Kokomo. In addition, his brothers-in-law Robert Small, Galveston; John and Cathy Bender, Lewisburg, Ohio, and sister-in-law Marylou and Bill Sowers, Springfield, Ohio, several nieces and nephews, great friends and beloved church members.

He was preceded in death by his father.

All will miss his boisterous laugh that could bring a smile to your face just by hearing it, his terrific outlook on life and his generous spirit. We look forward to seeing him again when the Lord returns and we know that he looked forward to that glorious day when there will be no more pain or death anymore.

Any contributions are requested to be made to the family so they can donate it to the Alternative Cancer Treatment Research.

Viewing services will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Eller's Mortuary on South Main Street.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Ellers Mortuary Main St. Chapel with Pastor Brian Yensho officiating. Burial will be in Galveston Cemetery in Galveston.

Ellers Mortuary Main St. Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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